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Madison, Wisconsin -- Erik C. Peterson, United States Attorney for the Western District of Wisconsin, announced that Lori Kaufman, 34, of Merrill, Wis., was sentenced today by U.S. District Judge John C. Shabaz to two years probation for mail theft.

While an employee at the Merrill Post Office in December 2006, Kaufman stole two \$15 gift cards out of a mail package. Kaufman pleaded guilty to the offense on October 29, 2007.

The charges against defendant were the result of an investigation conducted by the U.S. Postal Inspection Service, Office of Inspector General. The prosecution of the case has been handled by Assistant U.S. Attorney Meredith Duchemin.

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